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Exertional Heat Illness Project

Special points of interest:

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EMS-Children Day

May 21, 2014

30th Anniversary !!!!

The Project is currently in the distribution phase. An EHI packet and DVD has been sent to all ground services in the State. If you have not received yours, please contact Jack Hill. The information was sent to the address that was given by the service in the EMS assessment that was recently completed. The EHI packets will be distributed to every Public, Private, and Charter School in the State. The timeline is to have the materials distributed over the next couple of months. We encourage everyone to reach out to local schools and other organizations to prepare for the hot weather that is coming. Should you have any questions regarding the material please feel free to contact Jack Hill or any of the resources listed in the materials. The web site is up and can be located at <http://ar.gov/ehi>.

A special thanks to everyone who has helped with this project. Additionally, we would like to thank Dr. Bercher with UAMS for bringing his class over to help make the packets.

Pediatric EXPO 2014

As mentioned in the previous edition of the PEDI TIMES we are planning an educational event in August. A date has been set!!! August 26, 2014. Topics include, Pediatric Respiratory, Concussions, Pediatric Seizures, Exertional Heat Illness, Designer Drugs, and Sports injuries. Sessions will focus on providing tools that can be used in the field to assess, treat, and manage pediatric patients. The goal is to have a wide variety of speakers including: EMS Personnel, Physicians, Athletic Trainers, and Law Enforcement to name a few. The event will be held at Camp Aldersgate, in Little Rock, AR. CEU's will be awarded to those that attend. **The registration process will be announced soon.**

EMS-Children Committee Member Spotlight !!

We plan to try and feature some individuals in the section on random basis. Please take a moment to meet **Ms. Rhonda Fincher**. Rhonda is the EMS-Children Family Representative. Rhonda is the Executive Director of the Kendrick Fincher Hydration for Life Foundation in Rogers, AR. She is not only an Executive Director, but an author as well. Rhonda brings a real passion to the her work and she can be seen on the Cool Down First Video that was included in the Exertional Heat Illness material.

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Pediatric Simulation Training

To set up a simulation event please contact Jack Hill. The events are planned in two phases. First, a planning meeting is held with the EMS Agency Management Staff and Medical Director. Second the Event is conducted at your service on a selected day. We are currently planning events, so please call as soon as possible.

Simulators will be at the EMS-Children Booth during conference !!!!

"Be yourself; everyone else is already taken."

Oscar Wilde

Next EMS-Children Advisory Committee Meeting will be held.

May 29, 2014
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Freeway Medical Building, Room 801,



Pediatric Education for Prehospital Providers (PEPP)

As was done previously, the EMS-Children Program will be sponsoring a PEPP class in the coming months. The new materials are in but, the process to conduct a class has changed. This course will once again be a PEPP class with Course Coordinator instruction as well. The goal of the class is to increase the number of Course Coordinators in the State. The class will be limited, as before, to 15 participants. The course will be conducted at the Section of EMS, in Little Rock. Please be on the look out for more information as it becomes available.

Upcoming Events

There are number of upcoming events relating to EMS and EMS-Children. If you have the time we encourage everyone to be a part of these events.

April 21-23, 2014

Arkansas Ambulance Association's Arkansas EMS EXPO 2014

May 18-24, 2014

National EMS Week

May 21, 2014

National EMS-Children Day, 30th Anniversary !!!

May 21, 2014

AEMTA's Parade of Lights

May 21, 2014

Governors Advisory Council Meeting, Freeway Medical Building, Little Rock, AR

May 29, 2014

EMS-Children Advisory Committee Meeting
Freeway Medical Building, Little Rock AR

July 31-August 3

EMS Conference, Hot Springs, AR

August 26, 2014

EMS-Children Program Pediatric EXPO 2014
Camp Aldersgate, Little Rock, AR

78 days till Summer!!!

